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In re application of: Kornbluh *et al.*

Atty Docket No.: SR1P035/US-4237-2

Application No.: 10/053,511

Examiner: Budd, Mark Osborne

Filed: January 16, 2002

Group: 2834

Title: VARIABLE STIFFNESS
ELECTROACTIVE POLYMERS

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
(37 CFR §1.114)**

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114:

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
 - i. ☐ Consider the amendment/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on _____.
(Any unentered amendment referred to above will be entered.)
 - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____.
 - iii. ☐ Other _____.
- b. ☒ Enclosed
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 - ii. ☐ Affidavit/Declaration
 - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449
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 - iv. ☒ Other Limited Recognition under 37 C.F.R. §10.9(b).

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2. **Fees:** *(The RCE fee is required at the time the RCE is filed.)*

Fee Calculation (37 CFR §1.16)

Fee for Request for Continued Examination Under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e)	\$770 =	770.00
TOTAL		770.00
SMALL ENTITY 50% FILING FEE REDUCTION (if applicable)		385.00

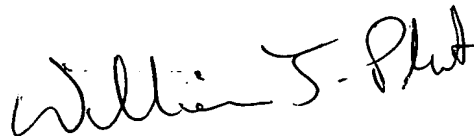
- ☒ a. Applicant hereby petitions for a one-month (1) extension of time.
- ☒ b. Applicant believes that no (additional) extension of time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant hereby petitions that such an extension be granted and authorizes the Director to charge the required fees for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388.
- ☒ c. Enclosed is our Check No. 23274 in the amount of \$440.00 to cover the RCE fee, extension of time and additional fees.
- ☒ d. The Director is authorized to charge any fees beyond the amount enclosed which may be required, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. SRI1P035)

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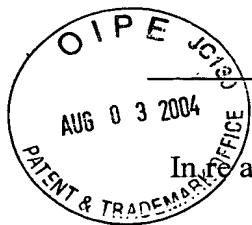
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AMENDMENT B

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 7, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 17 of this paper.

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